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THANK YOU SO MUCH
FOR THE LIFT, MISS
LUCY! Y'ALL'S AS
GENEROUS AS YOU
IS BEAUTIFUL!

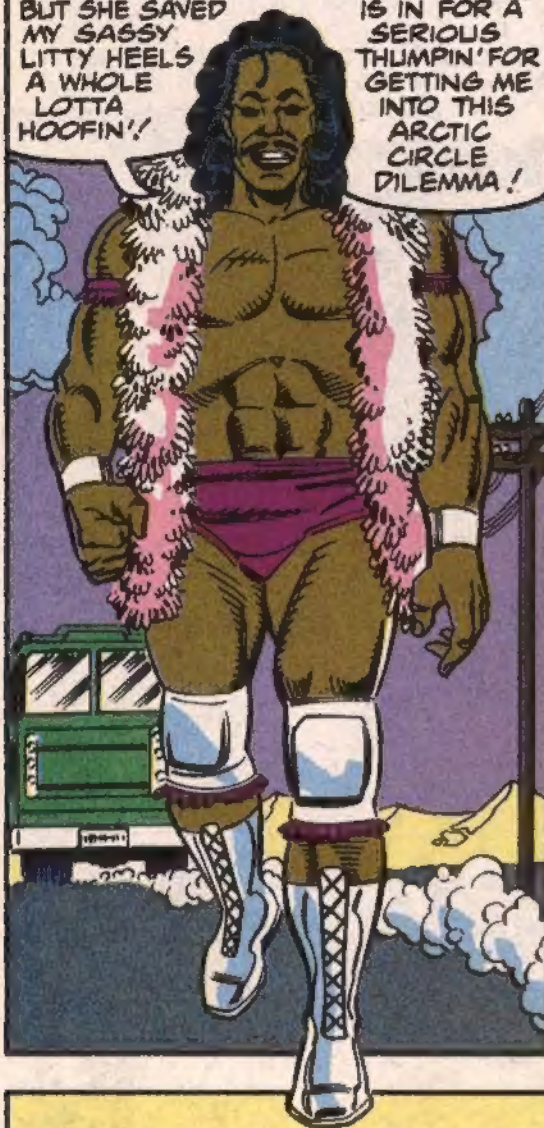
I MAY BE A
BAD MAN, BUT
I WOULD'VE BEEN
A SAD MAN IF
YOU HADN'T
HELPED ME
OUT!

HUSH NOW!
IT'S NOT EVERY
DAY THAT JOHNNY
B. BADD RIDES IN
MY BUS WAIT'LL I
TELL MY KIDS!
THEY LOVE
YOU!

THAT'S
BECAUSE
I'M SO
PRETTY!

WHAT A LOVELY LADY. OF COURSE, SHE'S NOT AS PRETTY AS JOHNNY B. BADD. BUT SHE SAVED MY SASSY LITTY HEELS A WHOLE LOTTA HOOFIN'!

SPEAKING OF HEELS-- PAUL E. DANGEROUSLY IS IN FOR A SERIOUS THUMPIN' FOR GETTING ME INTO THIS ARCTIC CIRCLE DILEMMA!



I WAS IN THE PROCESS OF ENLIGHTENING WCW'S WONDERFUL FANS ABOUT PAUL'S EVER ENLARGING BALD SPOT, VIA MY FREELANCE CAREER AS A COLOR COMMENTATOR!

BUT THE TROUBLE BEGAN WHEN I WAS BACKSTAGE INTERVIEWING STING RIGHT BEFORE THE BIGGEST MATCH OF HIS LIFE! HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO WIN OUR WCW CHAMPIONSHIP!



--AND I'LL BE DARNED IF I'M GONNA LOSE THE BELT TO A TOOTHLESS JERK LIKE CACTUS JACK!



INTENSE, BIG DADDY!

* WCW #6.

"BUT I NEVER FOUND OUT HOW THE MATCH ENDED, BECAUSE BEFORE I COULD GET BACK TO RINGSIDE, I WAS JUMPED BY PAUL E.'S GOONS-- THE DANGEROUS ALLIANCE!"

RIP THAT CATERPILLAR OFFA' HIS FACE, ARN!

"AFTER BEING TEMPORARILY SUBDUED, MY OUTRAGEOUS, YET TASTEFULLY CLAD PERSON WAS STUFFED IN A CRATE WITH ONE WAY POSTAGE TO ALASKA!"

THIS JOKER DON'T EVEN DESERVE BULK RATE!

WE'LL NEED AN EXTRA BOX JUST FOR ALL HIS FEATHERS!

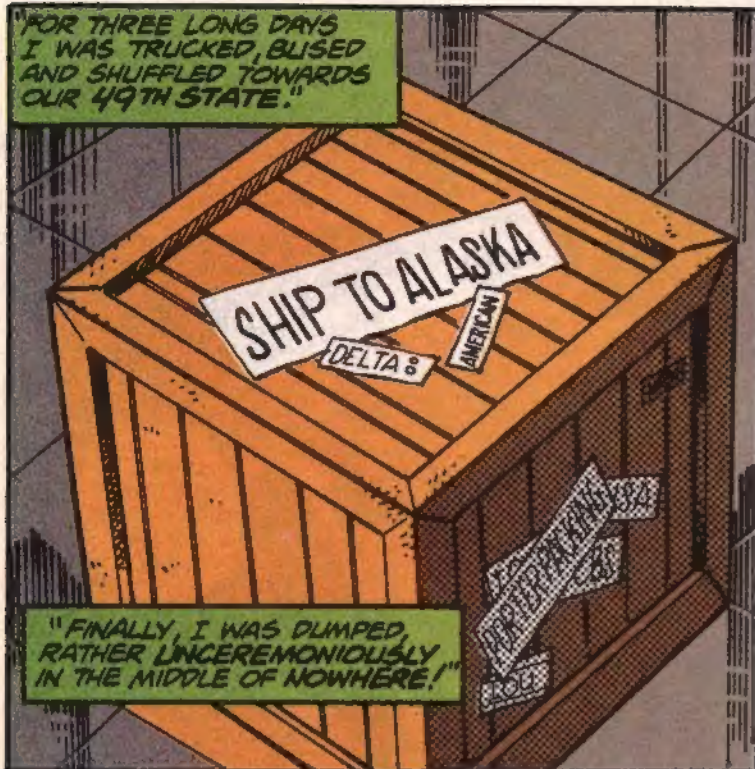


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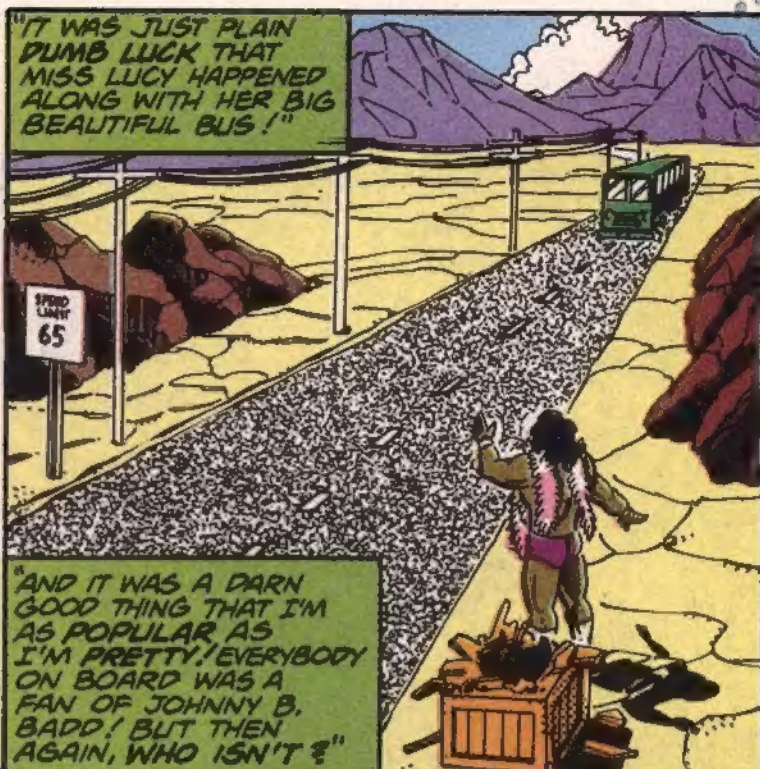
"I WAS AWAKENED BY THE SOUND OF THEIR HAMMERING SHUT THE WOODEN LID. AND BY THAT TIME -- IT WAS TOO LATE!"

"FOR THREE LONG DAYS I WAS TRUCKED, BLISED AND SHUFFLED TOWARDS OUR 49TH STATE."



"FINALLY, I WAS DUMPED, RATHER LINGEREMONIOUSLY IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE!"

"IT WAS JUST PLAIN DUMB LUCK THAT MISS LUCY HAPPENED ALONG WITH HER BIG BEAUTIFUL BUS!"



"AND IT WAS A DARN GOOD THING THAT I'M AS POPULAR AS I'M PRETTY! EVERYBODY ON BOARD WAS A FAN OF JOHNNY B. BADD! BUT THEN AGAIN, WHO ISN'T?"

BUT RIGHT NOW I'D BETTER HURRY. I'M HEINOUSLY LATE FOR MY ANNOUNCING GIG!

COME RIGHT ON IN, MR. BADD! WE WERE GETTING WORRIED ABOUT YOU!

ISN'T THAT SWEET? THANKS, BUZZ. YOU REALLY KNOW HOW TO MAKE A FELLA FEEL WANTED.



I'M IN LUCK. THE SHOW'S JUST STARTING!

NOW ALL MY FANS CAN SOAK UP AN ENTIRE EVENING'S WORTH OF HUMOROUS ANECDOTES, RHYMES AND PUNS, COURTESY OF THE **BADDEST MAN IN WCW!**



YOU CAN JUST BET THAT I'LL DO A NUMBER ON PAUL E. AND HIS BIG, BALD HEAD. LET'S SEE NOW-- "PAUL E. IS SO NASTY THAT EVEN HIS HAIR DON'T WANT TO BE AROUND HIM!"


OH THAT'S SWEET! IT'S ADVANTAGEOUS TO BE SO OUTRAGEOUS! HOW ABOUT THIS ONE-- "PAUL E. IS BALDER THAN A CUE BALL!"

HOW ABOUT "PAUL E. HAS THE MEN'S HAIR CLUB ON HIS TELEPHONE'S AUTOMATIC DIAL?"

HAN! I'VE GOT A MILLION OF THEM! I--I--

I DON'T BELIEVE MY PRETTY GREEN EYES!





WELL LOOK WHO'S HERE. WCW'S VERY OWN **ESKIMO PIE**.

HOPE HE CAN TAKE THE HEAT.

HAH! THAT'S A GOOD ONE, **GHOUL**! I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THE **BLACK STINGER** EVER ASSOCIATED WITH THAT **LITTLE RICHARD** WANNABE!

HE'D BETTER STAY OUT OF MY WAY.

STING! WHAT DID HE DO TO YOU? WHAT'S WITH YOUR HAIR?

JIM ROSS HERE, FANS! AND YES, IT'S TRUE! AFTER SUFFERING A VICIOUS BLOW TO THE HEAD FROM **CACTUS JACK**, **STING** HAS UNDERGONE A MARKED **PERSONALITY DISORDER**! * HE HAS ALLIED HIMSELF WITH HIS FORMER ENEMY TO CHALLENGE THE **STEINER BROTHERS**, THE WCW TAG TEAM CHAMPIONS.

THIS IS A **SPECIAL CHALLENGE MATCH**! THE **STEINERS'** TITLE IS NOT ON THE LINE.

AND UPON LOOKING AT THIS **AWE-SOME DUO**, I CAN'T HELP BUT WONDER IF THE **STEINERS** ARE AS RELIEVED BY THAT FACT AS I AM!

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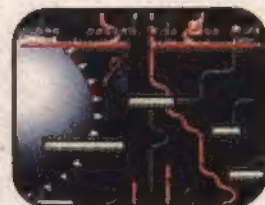
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HI-DEE-HI-DEE-HO, JIMBO!
WCW'S **SASSIEST** ANNOUNCER
IS BACK FROM THE LAND OF
THE **MIDNIGHT SUN!**

GOOD TO
HAVE YOU
BACK, JOHNNY.
SORT OF.

I CAN SEE THAT INTRODUCTIONS
ARE IN ORDER. JOHNNY, THIS IS
OUR NEWEST TV COMMENTATOR,
JESSE "THE BODY" VENTURA!

DON'T YOU BE GET-
TIN' ALL COMFORTABLE,
JOHNNY B. ...



...AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, YOUR
TALENTS ARE LIMITED STRICTLY TO
THE RING!
SO JUST SIT THERE AND SHUT UP SO THAT THE
"BODY" CAN CONTINUE HIS FINE TRADITION OF BE-
ING THE ONLY JOURNALIST IN WCW TO TELL IT
LIKE IT IS!

THERE'S CERTAINLY NO
REASON TO BE SO RUDE,
JESSE. THERE'S ROOM FOR
EVERYBODY AT THIS TABLE.

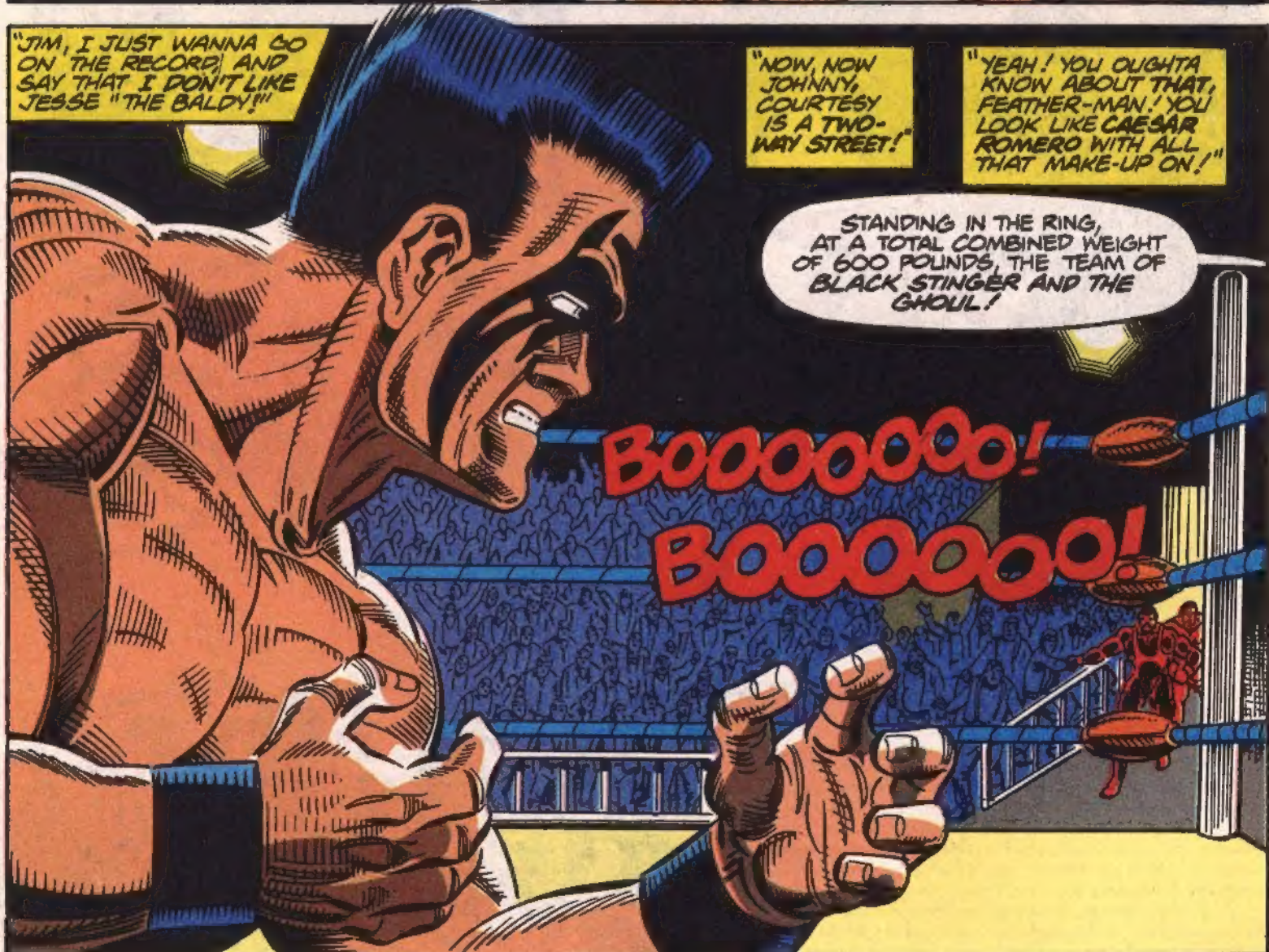
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT
THAT, JR.! NOT IF YOU KEEP
ON EXPANDING THE WAY YOU
ARE, THEY'LL HAVE TO WIDEN
THE EXITS JUST TO LET YOU
OUT OF THE ARENA!



"JIM, I JUST WANNA GO
ON THE RECORD, AND
SAY THAT I DON'T LIKE
JESSE "THE BALDY!"

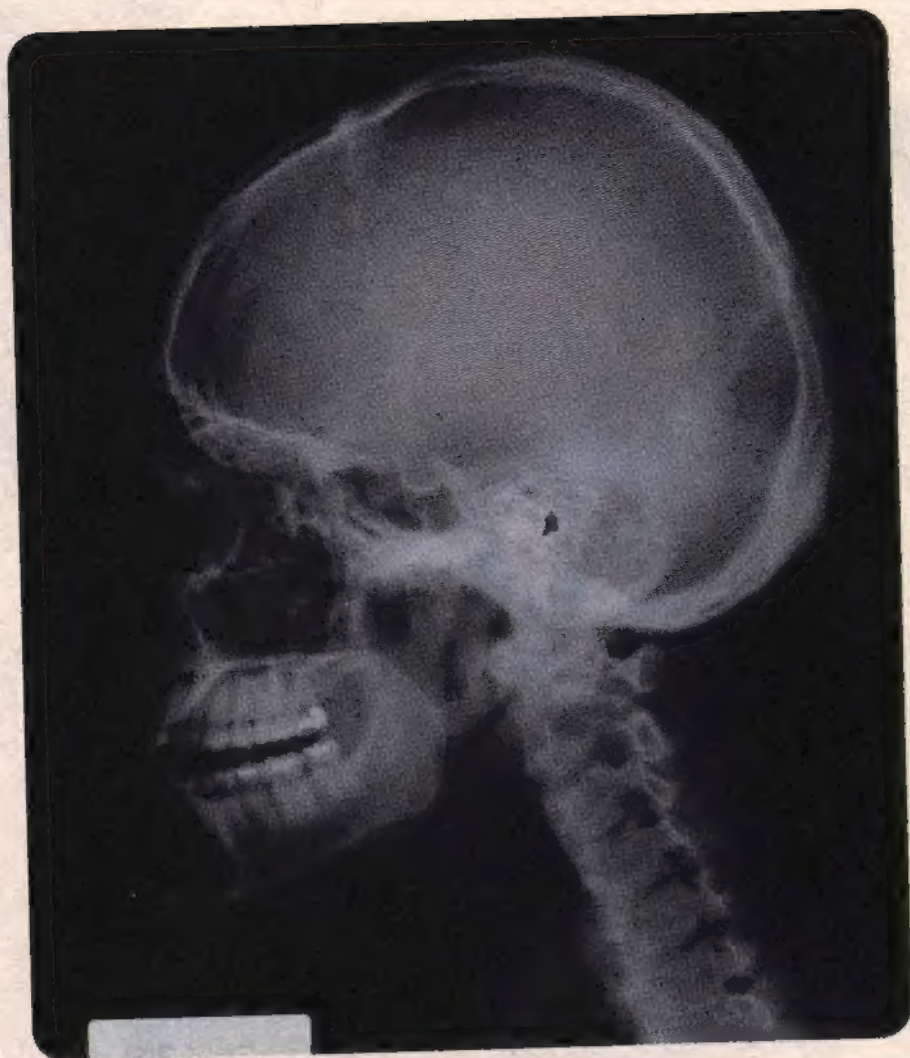
"NOW, NOW
JOHNNY,
COURTESY
IS A TWO-
WAY STREET!"

"YEAH! YOU OUGHTA
KNOW ABOUT THAT,
FEATHER-MAN! YOU
LOOK LIKE CAESAR
ROMERO WITH ALL
THAT MAKE-UP ON!"



STANDING IN THE RING,
AT A TOTAL COMBINED WEIGHT
OF 600 POUNDS, THE TEAM OF
BLACK STINGER AND THE
GHOUL!

BOOOOOO!
BOOOOOO!



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AND MAKING THEIR WAY TO THE RING AT A TOTAL COMBINED WEIGHT OF 575 POUNDS, THEY ARE THE **NWC WORLD TAG TEAM CHAMPIONS**. RICK AND SCOTT--THE **STEINER BROTHERS**!

WISH US LUCK, KIDS!

CREAM 'EM!!

WOOF! WOOF!

"THE STEINERS LOOK TOTALLY FOCUSED FOR THIS SPECIAL CHALLENGE MATCH! REMEMBER FANS, THE TITLE IS NOT AT STAKE HERE."

"THAT'S TRUE, J.R., BUT SHOULD BLACK STINGER AND GHOLL WIN THIS MATCH THEY COULD BE CONSIDERED THE NUMBER ONE CONTENDERS FOR THE TITLE."

"I NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE THESE GUYS FIGHTING AGAINST EACH OTHER, JIM."

"NEITHER, IT SEEMS, CAN THE CHAMPIONS."

COME ON STING! SAY YOU'RE JUST KIDDIN' US HERE!

YEAH! WE FOUGHT SIDE BY SIDE AT THE **WAR GAMES**. I STOOD BY EACH OTHER WHENEVER WE HAD TO! AND NOW YOU'RE HANGING AROUND THIS CREEP!

WHAT'S WITH THE NEW MAKE-UP? WHAT'S WITH YOUR **HAIR**? YOU DON'T NEED TO DO THIS! YOU'RE THE **CHAMP**!

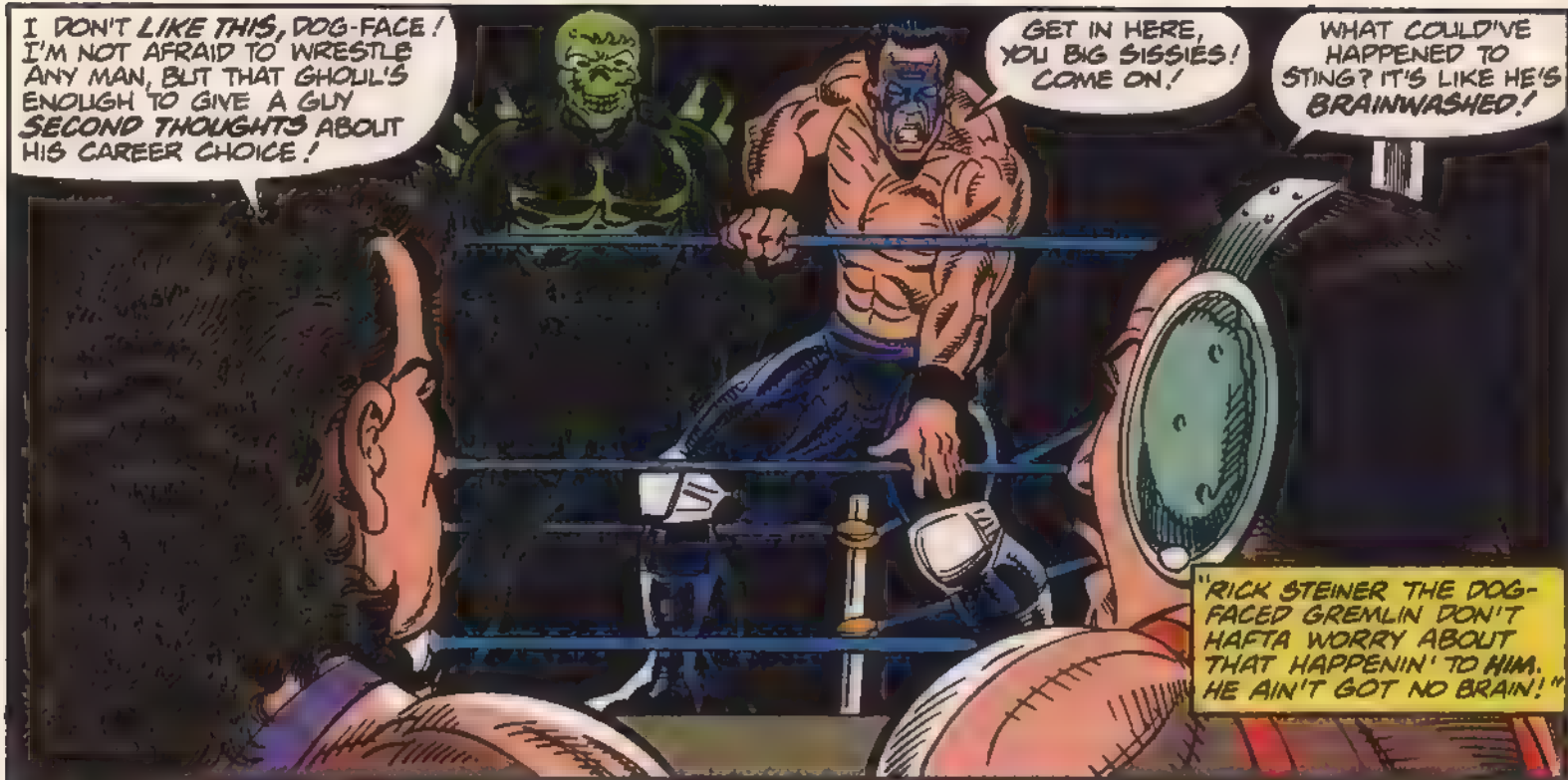
"LOOK AT THIS, JR.! RICK STEINER LAYING THE BADMOUTH ON THE STINGER."

"I THOUGHT I WAS THE **BADD MOUTH**!"

"HEY, JOHNNY. THEM FEATHERS OF YOURS ARE GONNA SET OFF MY ALLERGIES!"

"WHAT'CHOO ALLERGIC TO... **HAIR**?"

"COME ON, FELLAS. PLAY NICE."



I DON'T LIKE THIS, DOG-FACE!
I'M NOT AFRAID TO WRESTLE
ANY MAN, BUT THAT GHOUL'S
ENOUGH TO GIVE A GUY
SECOND THOUGHTS ABOUT
HIS CAREER CHOICE!

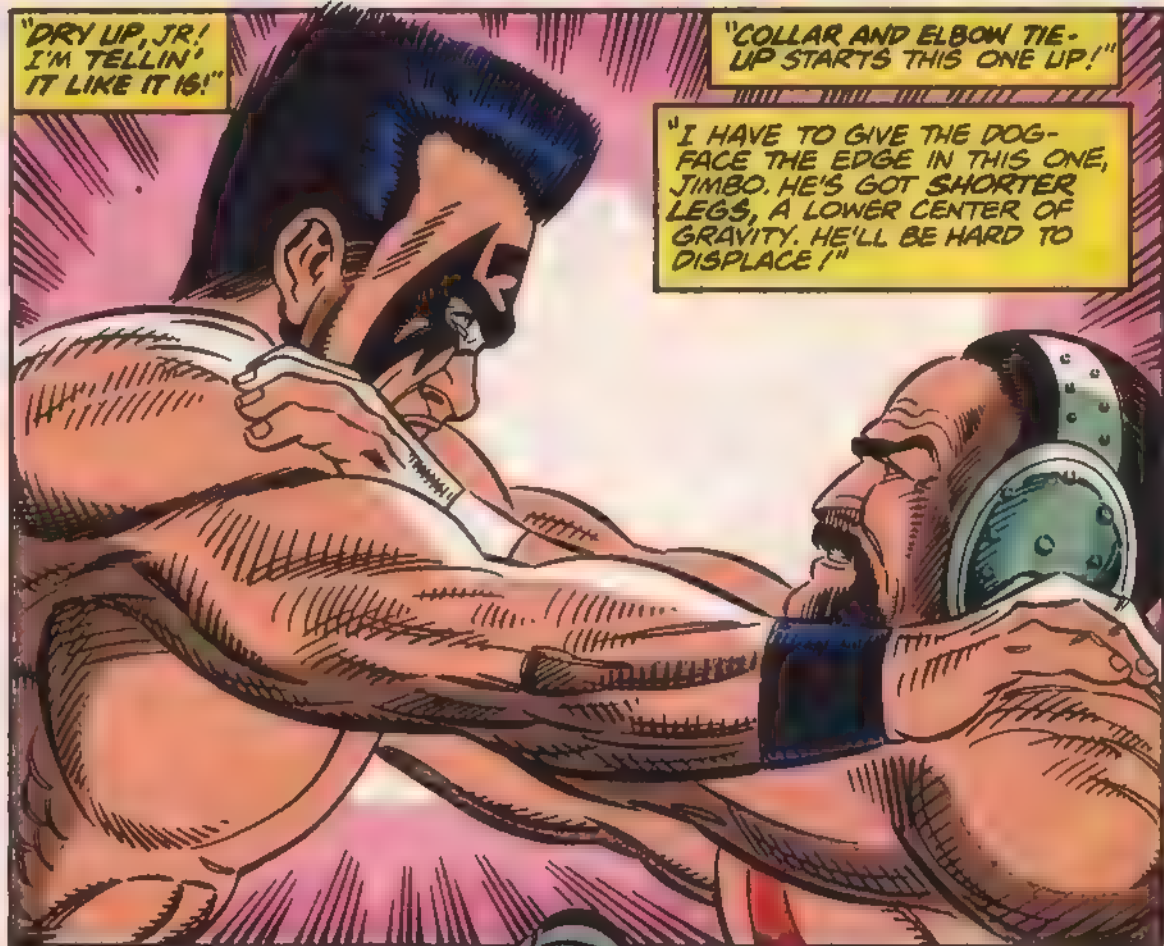
GET IN HERE,
YOU BIG SISSIES!
COME ON!

WHAT COULD'VE
HAPPENED TO
STING? IT'S LIKE HE'S
BRAINWASHED!

"RICK STEINER THE DOG-
FACED GREMLIN DON'T
HAFTA WORRY ABOUT
THAT HAPPENIN' TO HIM.
HE AIN'T GOT NO BRAIN!"



PLEASE, JESSE! YOUR
VERNACULAR IS ATRO-
CIOUS! AS A BROADCAST
JOURNALIST, YOUR
ENGLISH SHOULD BE
ABOVE REPROACH!



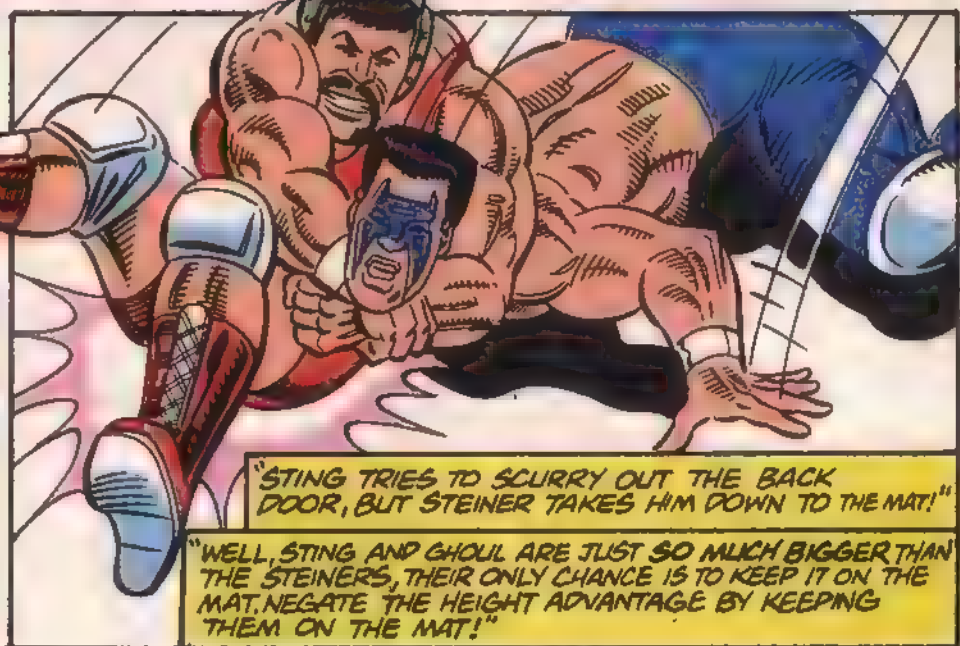
"DRY UP, JR!
I'M TELLIN'
IT LIKE IT IS!"

"COLLAR AND ELBOW TIE-
UP STARTS THIS ONE UP!"

"I HAVE TO GIVE THE DOG-
FACE THE EDGE IN THIS ONE,
JIMBO. HE'S GOT SHORTER
LEGS, A LOWER CENTER OF
GRAVITY. HE'LL BE HARD TO
DISPLACE!"



"HEAD-
LOCK
BY THE
DOG-
FACE!"



"STING TRIES TO SCURRY OUT THE BACK
DOOR, BUT STEINER TAKES HIM DOWN TO THE MAT!"

"WELL, STING AND GHOUL ARE JUST SO MUCH BIGGER THAN
THE STEINERS, THEIR ONLY CHANCE IS TO KEEP IT ON THE
MAT, NEGATE THE HEIGHT ADVANTAGE BY KEEPING
THEM ON THE MAT!"

"MILITARY STYLE
BODY PRESS BY
STEINER! THE FANS
HERE IN PHILLY ARE
GOING HOG-WILD!"

PUT ME
DOWN, YOU
*&%\$#N
IDIOT!

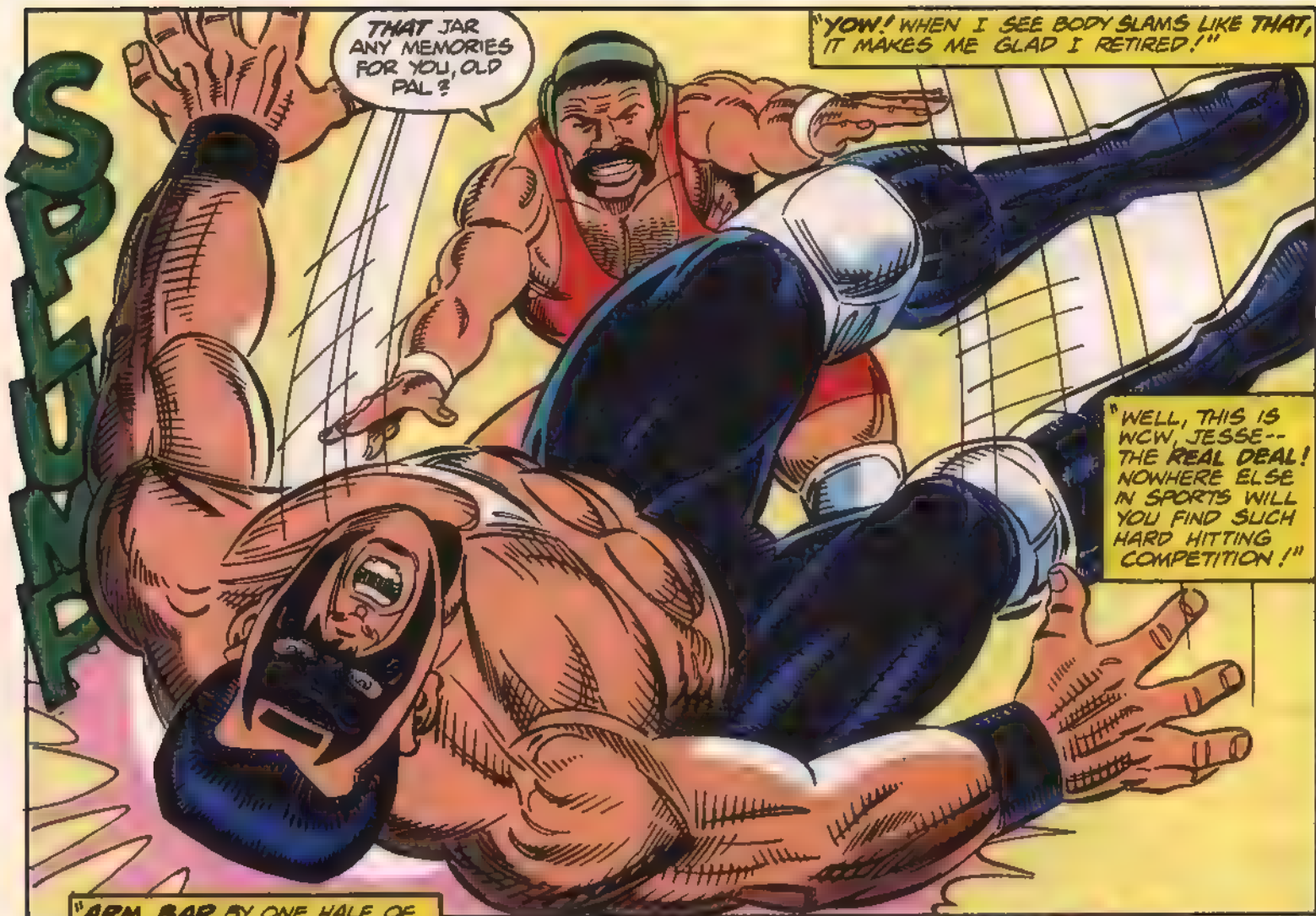
"UH-OH THAT IS DEFINI-
TELY NOT THE BEST
TIME TO BE LAYING A
RAP ON YOUR OPPON-
ENT--WHEN HE'S GOT
YOU SEVEN FEET IN
THE AIR!"

"OUT OF ALL THE HOLDS
AND MANEUVERS HERE
IN WCW, I HATE THIS
ONE THE MOST! IF
YOU'VE EVER BEEN
BODY-SLAMMED BY
SOMEBODY AS STRONG
AS THE ALL-AMERICAN,
RON SIMMONS, THEN YOU
KNOW WHAT PAIN IS
ALL ABOUT, BABY!"

"I THINK IT'S SAFE TO
ASSUME THAT BLACK
STINGER IS NOT
THINKING ABOUT RON
SIMMONS AT THIS
PARTICULAR MOMENT,
JOHNNY!"

YOU
WANT DOWN
OLD PAL? YOU
GOT IT!!

NO!

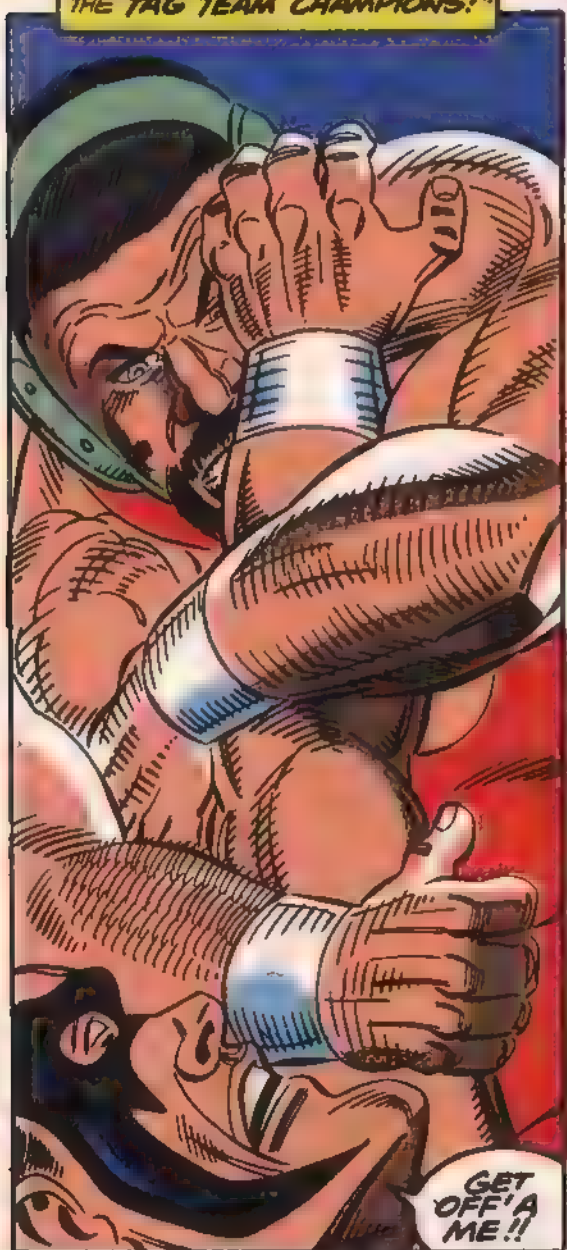


THAT JAR ANY MEMORIES FOR YOU, OLD PAL?

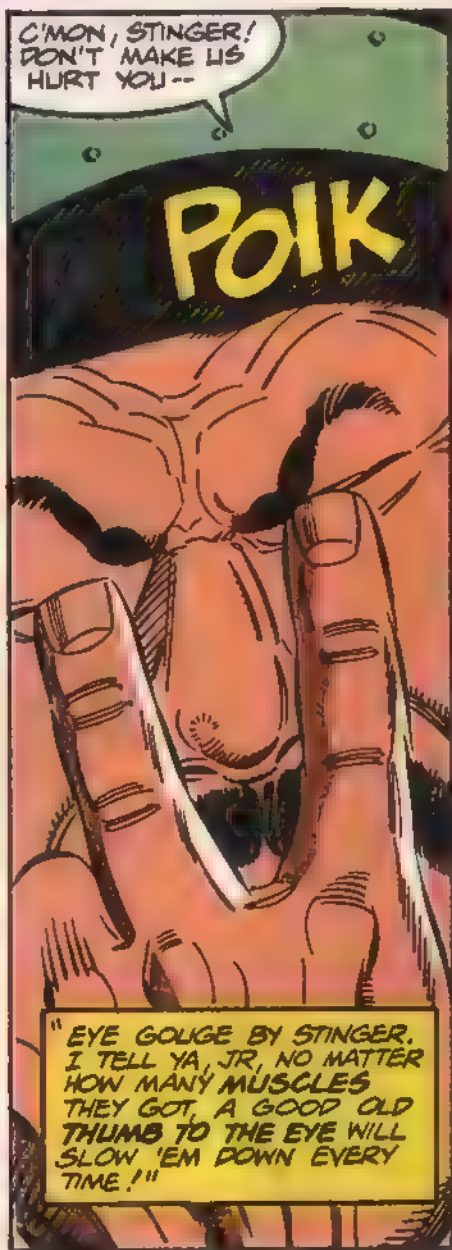
"YOW! WHEN I SEE BODY SLAMS LIKE THAT, IT MAKES ME GLAD I RETIRED!"

"WELL, THIS IS WCW, JESSE-- THE REAL DEAL! NOWHERE ELSE IN SPORTS WILL YOU FIND SUCH HARD HITTING COMPETITION!"

"ARM BAR BY ONE HALF OF THE TAG TEAM CHAMPIONS!"



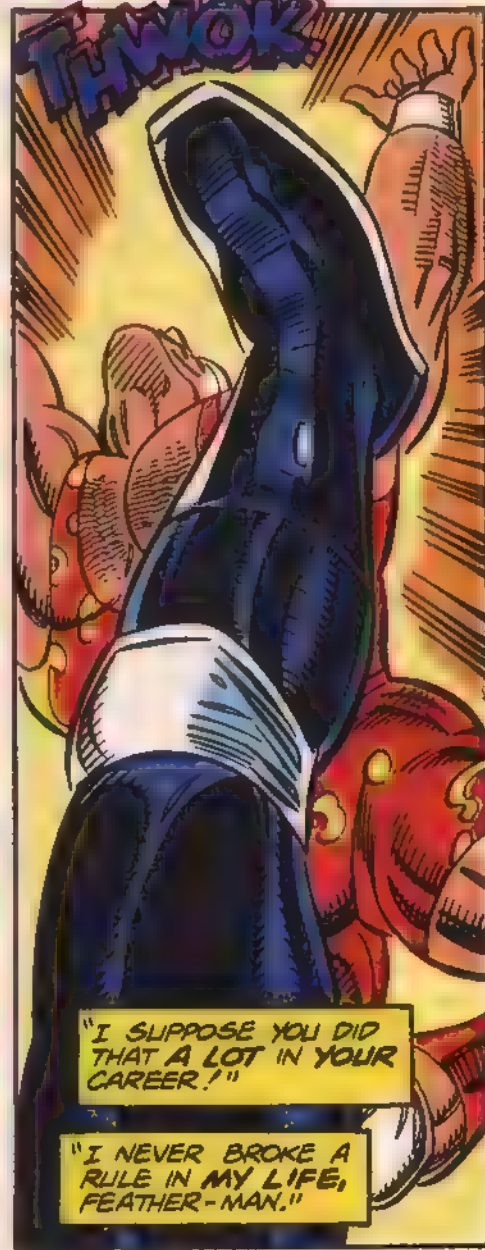
GET OFF'A ME!!



C'MON, STINGER! DON'T MAKE US HURT YOU--

POIK

"EYE GOUGE BY STINGER. I TELL YA, JR, NO MATTER HOW MANY MUSCLES THEY GOT, A GOOD OLD THUMB TO THE EYE WILL SLOW 'EM DOWN EVERY TIME!"



"I SUPPOSE YOU DID THAT A LOT IN YOUR CAREER!"

"I NEVER BROKE A RULE IN MY LIFE, FEATHER-MAN."

HERE. I SOFTENED HIM UP FOR YOU.

"THIS IS WHAT EVERYBODY'S BEEN WAITING FOR! A CHANCE TO SEE THE GHOUL IN ACTION!"

SPLACKT!

"HEY! WHAT GIVES HERE? THERE WEREN'T NO TAG MADE BY THE STEINERS!"

"MAYBE THEY FORGOT, IN THE HEAT OF BATTLE!"

"PLEASE, JR! IT'S OBVIOUS THAT YOU'RE PLAYING FAVORITES!"

COME ON, YOU UGLY SUCKER!

YOU GOT A LOT OF NERVE SAYING THAT WITH YOUR NOSE.

BUT YOU KNOW WHAT?

IT'S GONNA GET WORSE.

SHEESH! YOUR BREATH STINKS LIKE A CRYPT!

"WHOA! GHOUL GAVE SCOTTY A TASTE OF HIS GHOUL-ASHES! HA HA HA! I'M AS WITTY AS I AM PRETTY!"

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"GHOUL TAGS IN THE CHAMPION--!"

"GOOD CONTINUITY FOR THE GHOUL TEAM."

"GREAT BALLS O' FIRE! STINGER'S GOT SCOTTY IN THE SCORPION DEATHLOCK! IF IT WAS ANYBODY ELSE, I'D EXPECT AN IMMEDIATE SUBMISSION!"

"WELL, SINCE THIS IS A NON-TITLE BOUT, IT MIGHT BE SMARTER TO GIVE UP. IF SCOTT IS INJURED AND CAN'T DEFEND THE TITLE, THE STEINERS WILL HAVE TO VACATE!"

"I DON'T THINK YOU CAN USE THE WORDS 'SMART' AND 'STEINERS' IN THE SAME SENTENCE, JR! LOOK HOW STING'S CUT THE RING IN HALF! THAT'S SOLID TAG TEAM WRESTLING!"

HOLD ON, LITTLE BRO!

HE'S RIGHT! CAN'T TAKE MUCH! GOTTA POWER OUT!

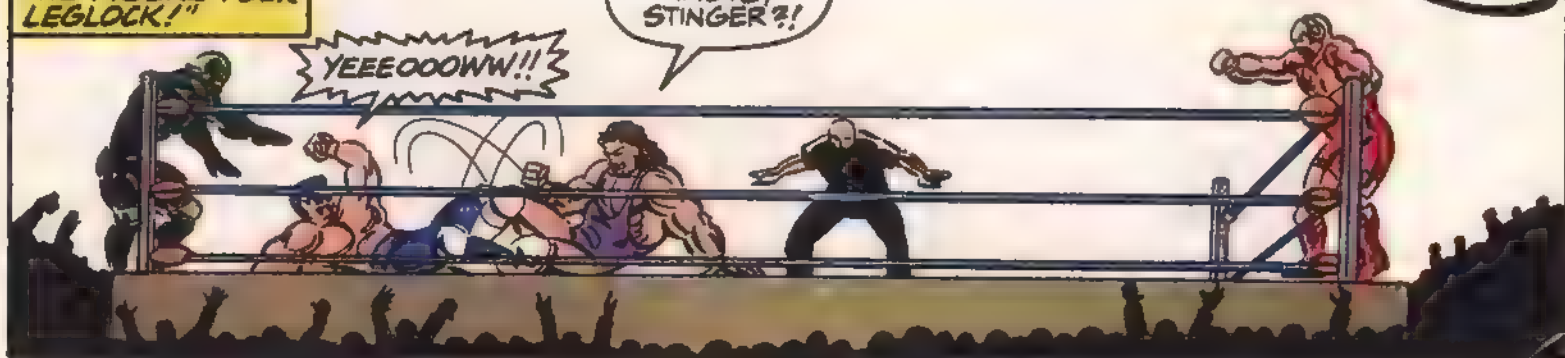
ENJOY YOUR LEGS WHILE YOU'VE GOT 'EM, BIG BOY.


'CUZ PRETTY SOON THEY'RE GOING THE WAY OF THE DINOSAURS!

REVERSAL INTO THE FIGURE FOUR LEGLOCK!"

HOW THIS TASTE, STINGER?!

YEEEEOOOWW!!



The Punisher is depicted in a full-body illustration, standing in a heroic pose. He wears his iconic blue and white tactical suit with a large white skull emblem on the chest. His right arm is raised, holding a large, red, baton-like object. In his left hand, he holds a newspaper with the word "SPORTS" visible on its masthead. The background is a simple gradient of yellow and orange.

THE PUNISHER war journal

#50

The terrorists
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to hijack
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They *didn't*
plan on
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"ANOTHER TAG
MADE BY STING."

SPLAK

"YEAH, WELL AT LEAST
GHOUL'S IN THERE ON A
LEGAL TAG!"

"HA! WHO'S THE
SMARTEST TEAM
NOW, JR.? YEAH,
STEINER REVERSED
THE DEATHLOCK,
BUT STING WAS
SO CLOSE TO
HIS CORNER THAT
HE TAGGED IN
GHOUL AS SOON
AS HE GOT INTO
TROUBLE."



"HEY BOYS! THAT
CHIN-LOCK LOOKS
MORE LIKE A
CHOKE-HOLD!"

"MASSIVE PHYSIQUE ON THE GHOUL,
JIMBO. HE COULD EASILY GO INTO
BODY BUILDING."

"YES, JOHNNY. BUT
I HEAR THAT BODY
BUILDING ISN'T
DOING TOO WELL
THESE DAYS."

"WHAT'S STEINER'S BEEF WITH
THE REF? I WOULDN'T DIS-
TRACT THE OFFICIAL IF MY
PARTNER WAS IN A CHOKE HOLD!"

TURN AROUND!
LOOK WHAT HE'S
DOING!

YOU
GET BACK
OUTTA
THE RING,
BIG
FELLA!

BUT HE'S
CHEATING!

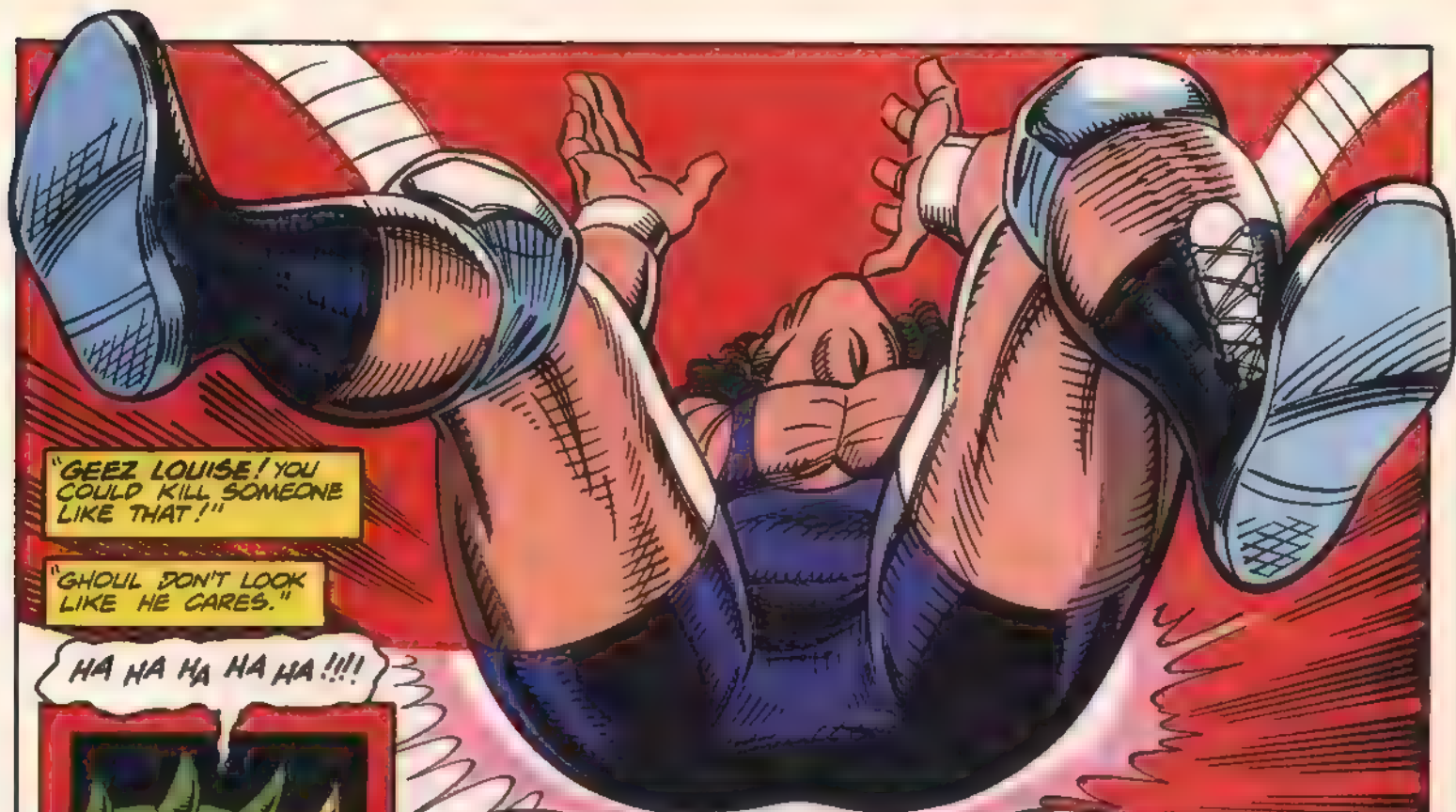
"GHOUL HAS TOSSED
SCOTTY OVER THE
TOP ROPE AND ON-
TO THE CEMENT
FLOOR!"

"I HATE TO SAY IT, BUT JESSE'S RIGHT!
THAT MIGHT NOT'A HAPPENED IF RICK
DIDN'T DISTRACT THE REF!"

"OF COURSE I'M RIGHT!
I TELL IT LIKE IT IS!"

HAPPY
LANDINGS,
STUPID.

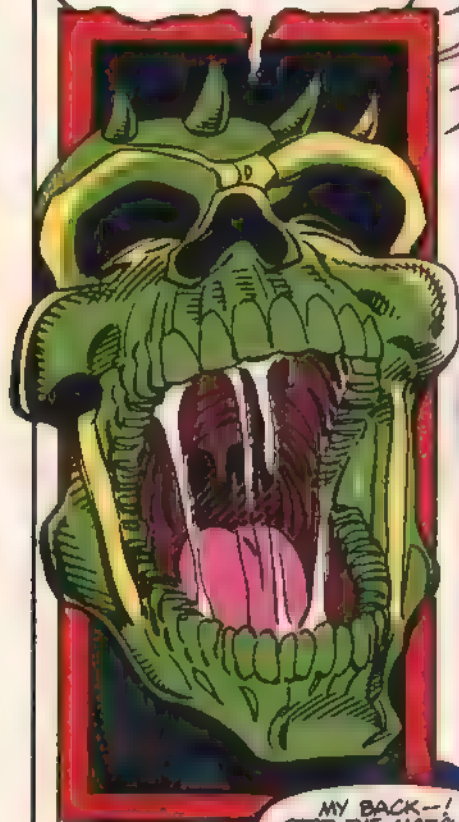




"GEEZ LOUISE! YOU COULD KILL SOMEONE LIKE THAT!"

"GHOUL DON'T LOOK LIKE HE CARES."

HA HA HA HA HA!!!!



LET'S DITCH THIS JUNK.

I'M GONNA BREAK HIS BACK.

COOL!

MY BACK--! STOP THE MATCH, REF. RICK-- WHERE ARE YOU?

NOW SEE HERE! YOU'RE INTERFERING WITH AN OFFICIAL WCW BROADCAST!

BROADCAST THIS, FAT MAN. WCW IS LIVING ON BORROWED TIME.

I'VE TURNED YOUR GREATEST HERO AGAINST YOU TO DESTROY YOU!

AND THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT.

CRASH!

"THERE'S CHAOS HERE
AT RINGSIDE, BABY!"

GIVE IT YOUR BEST
SHOT, DOG-BREATH!

YOU LOUSY
TRAITOR! I'LL TEAR
YOU APART!

"LOUSY TRAITOR? SEEMS
TO ME LIKE HE'S A
PRETTY GOOD ONE!"

"SCOTT STEINER
IS NOT GETTING
UP."

"POOR OFFENSIVE
MOVE, LEADING WITH
YOUR CHIN LIKE THAT!"

YOU WANNA HELP YOUR
BABY BROTHER? TAKE
THE FALL, DIRT BAG!

SCOTT!
I GOTTA HELP
SCOTT!

THWACK!

"ARM-BAR BY THE CHAMP,
SETTING DOG-FACE UP FOR
AN IRISH WHIP!"

TOO BAD FOR YOU--
AND YOUR STUPID
BROTHER IN THE
PUMPKIN PATCH!

WHAT?
NO
WAY!!

"DOG-FACE FIRED INTO
THE CORNER -- OH NO!
SOMEONE'S REMOVED THE
TURNBUCKLE PAD!"

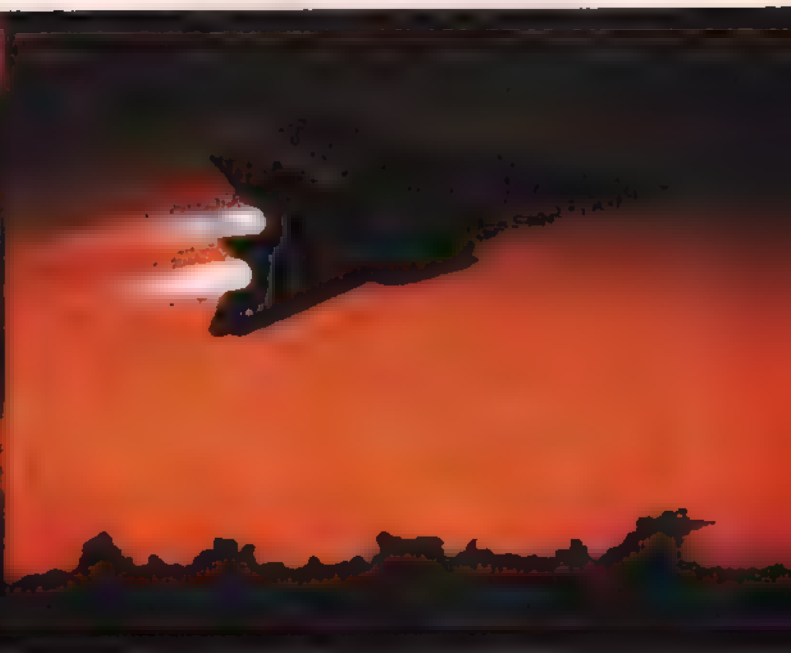
"MERCY ME, JIMBO!
HIS HEAD SLAMMED
INTO THE STEEL!"

THUD!

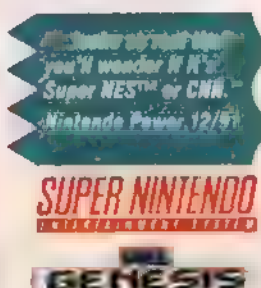
"LIGHTS
OUT FOR
STEINER."

ON LAND...

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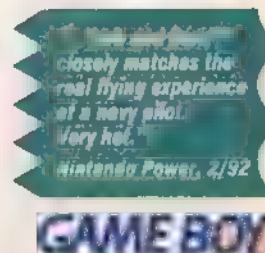
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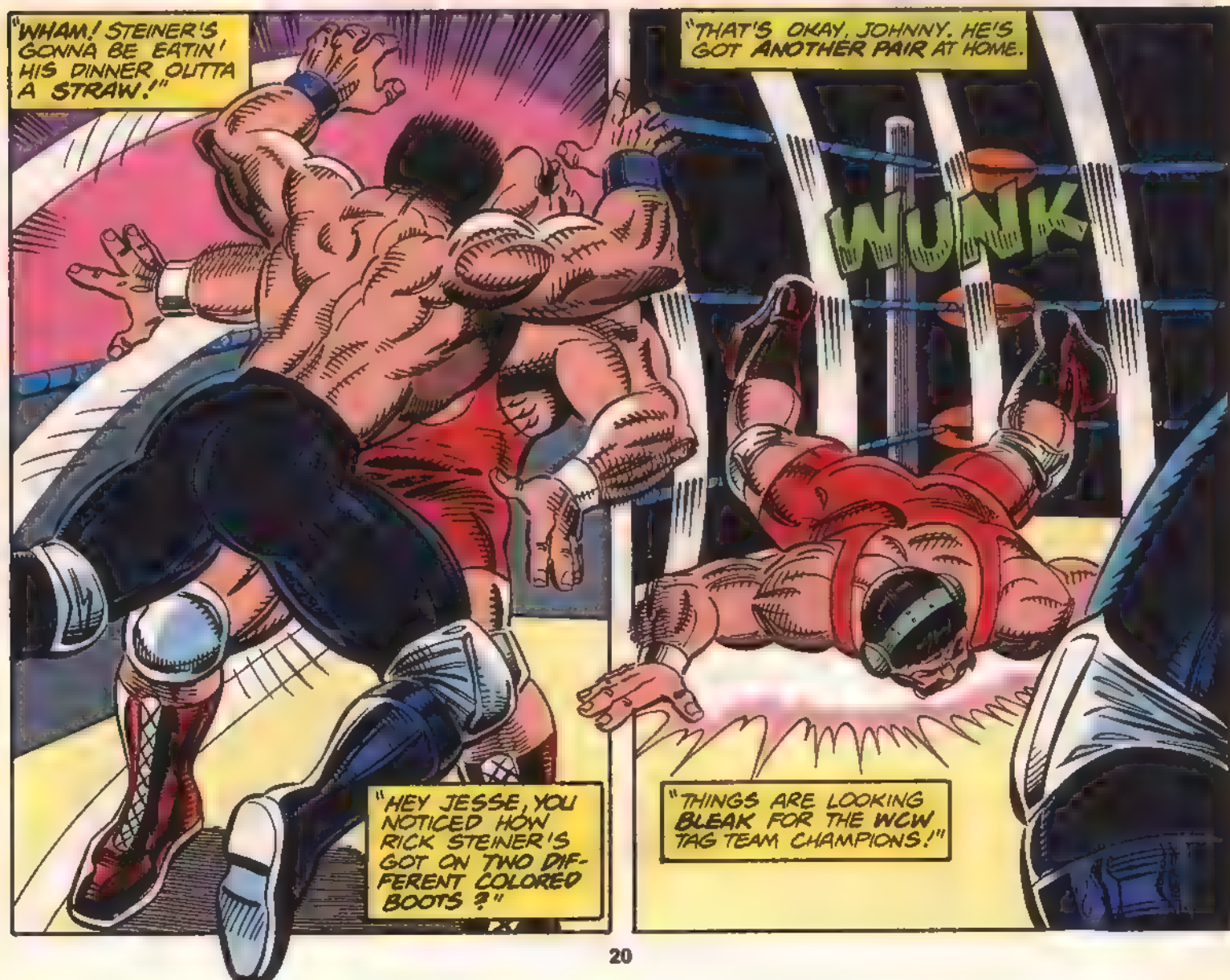
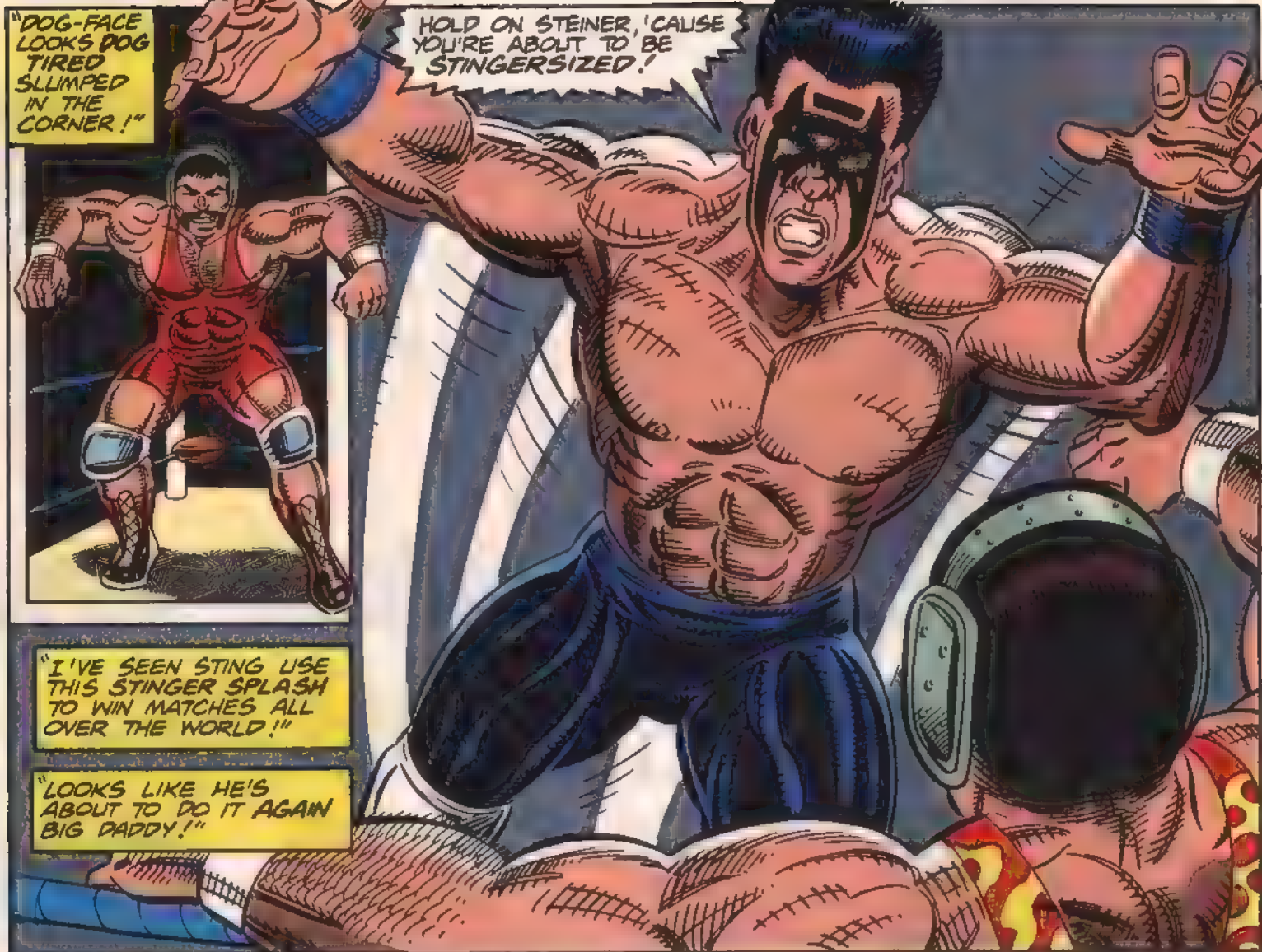
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"STING TAGS IN THE GHOUL, WHO WRAPS UP STEINER IN AN ARM BAR!"

"I HAVE THE FEELIN' THAT THIS MATCH IS ALMOST OVER, BIG BOYS!"



SPLUNKT

"STEINER HAS JUST BEEN PLANTED!"

"I HAVE NEVER SEEN A MOVE LIKE THAT IN ALL MY YEARS OF BROADCASTING!"

"I TELL YA, JR, JESSE 'THE BODY' IS GONNA LIKE IT HERE IN WCW!"



"I DON'T LIKE THIS, FELLAS. NOT ONE BIT!"

"GHOUL WAS RIGHT ABOUT ONE THING -- JIM ROSS SURE IS FAT!"

WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THE STINGER? I FIGURE THAT IF ANYONE WOULD KNOW, IT'D BE RON SIMMONS!

Z-MAN, MY FRIEND, I WISH I KNEW. BUT I'LL TELL YOU THIS SOMETHING STINKS!

MARCUS BAGWELL! SINCE WHEN HAVE YOU BEEN IN WCW?

I'M NEW HERE FLYIN' BRIAN! SAY, DO YOU GUYS EAT LIKE THIS EVERY NIGHT?

THIS IS A SPECIAL NIGHT! LITTLE BOBBY SANDOR IS HERE! X

THAT'S RIGHT, NIKITA AND HEAVY METAL VAN HAMMER'S GONNA PLAY HIM A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY SONG!

YUCK! THIS CAVIAR IS DEFINITELY NOT TAYLOR-MADE!

LEMME TELL YA, JIMMY JAM, IF HAMMER'S GONNA STRUM THAT GUITAR, THEN THE FABULOUS FREEBIRDS WILL SING THE TUNE!

ROCK ON!

ARN OLD BUDDY, I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE TO EAT WITH THESE LOSERS!

JUST SIT TIGHT, STUNNING STEVE AUSTIN'S GOT THE REST OF THE DANGEROUS ALLIANCE FOR COMPANY!

MMMM! SPAM!

For a game with so many brilliant colors, it also looks good in black and white.

Axelay could be the hottest shooter ever made!

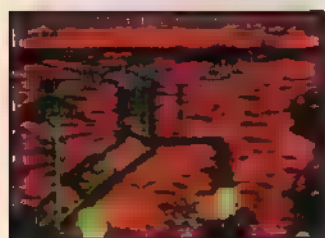
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They said it all! Other shooter games may claim they're the best. But Axelay reveals its true colors on the high speed, Super NES™ ride of your life through untold eons of spectrum shattering special 3-D effects.

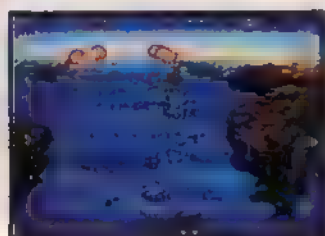
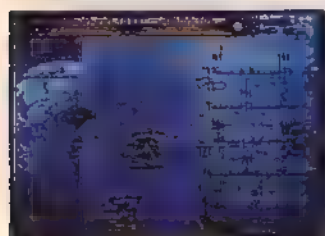
Scream through the stratosphere horizontally or tear up the extraterrestrials in head-on vertical style. You're flying the prototype tactical fighter ship,

Axelay, with the most sophisticated weaponry ever invented, like the deadly Round Vulcan with its full 360° range.

In 6 shocking stages of horrific floating fortresses, multi-legged mobile forts, robot cities, volcanos and the City of Darkness you may be tempted to stop and see the sights. Not a good idea, even for a glance, unless you want an asteroid up your nose. Just see for yourself what the critics are raving about.



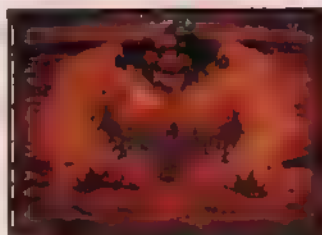
Gauge enemy fire power and attack patterns or you'll be cosmic dust.



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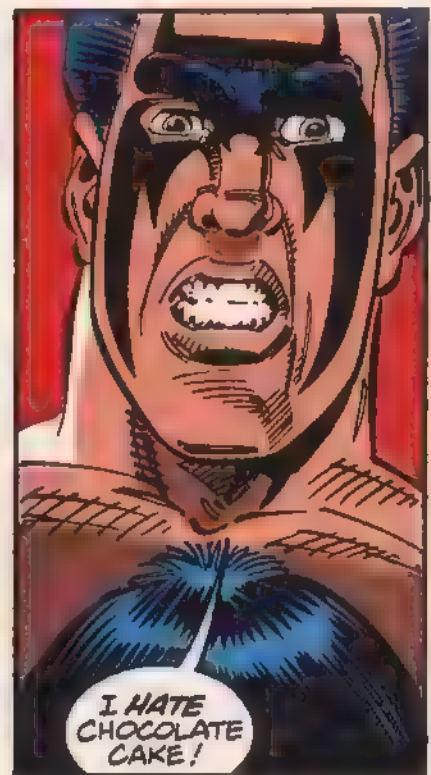
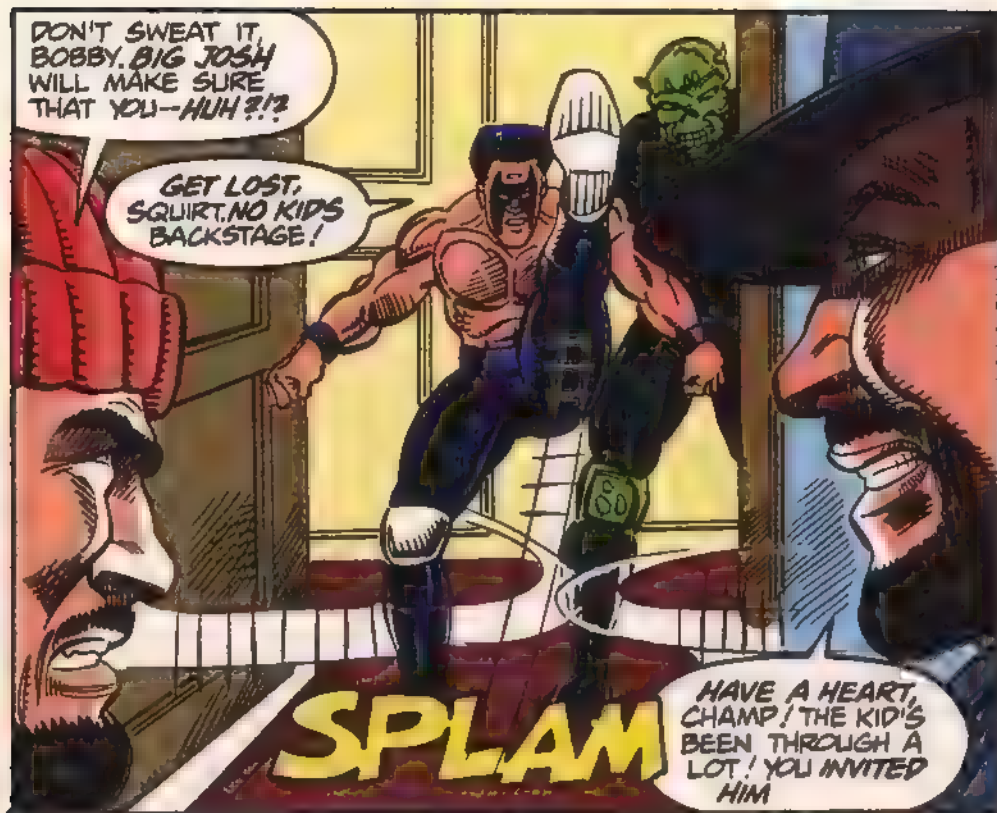
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Axelay's arsenal is pumped and primed for confronting the huge intimidating honchos at the end of each stage.





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STAN'S SOAPBOX

Hi, Heroes!

You know the way our Chinese friends celebrate different years like "The Year of the Pig," or "The Year of the Dragon"? Well, for mighty Marvel, 1992 has most definitely been "The Year of the Spider," and what a great year it's been! Spider-Man's thirtieth anniversary has kept our whole blushing bullpen busy with special Hologram-Cover Issues, Spidey Conventions, Web-Slinger Parties and all sorts of arachnid-inspired fun 'n' games!

Another, more subtle way that we've been celebrating everyone's favorite wall-crawler has been by introducing famous Marvel guest stars in Spidey's syndicated newspaper strip. Those of you who are lucky enough to have Spidey's daily strip in your local newspaper's comic section, have already seen the current episode which is just now zooming to a cataclysmic conclusion, the one featuring the ever dazzling and delightful Dr. Strange!

Well, here's a really sensational fol-

low-up to the Spidey/Dr. Strange adventure. Starting sometime in October, the peripatetic Peter Parker will welcome another guest star to what is arguably the most popular newspaper story-strip in all the world — Daredevil, the Man Without Fear! This will be Matt Murdock's first appearance in any newspaper and I can promise you it'll be a zinger! Can't tell you much without spoiling the surprises for you — but I can clue you in about some new artists coming on board!

Floro Dery, who has so brilliantly illustrated the Spidey Sunday pages for the past decade or so, has been forced to give up his chores because of an increased work load at the animation studio which is his home base. Although I was genuinely sorry to bid Floro adieu, wait'll you hear who his exciting replacements will be!

To pencil Spidey's Sunday pages, we were lucky to grab Rampagin' **Ron Frenz**, the demon illustrator who, together with the scripting of Titanic **Tom DeFalco**, has made MIGHTY THOR one of Marvel's most consistent "must read"

titles issue after issue! And, to ink Ron's awesome panels, we managed to lure one of Marvel's all-time greats out of semi-retirement — which means that the world once again will thrill to the exotic embellishments of the titanically talented **Jot'n' Joe Sinnott**!

So, Ron and Joe now join forces with comicdom's own legendary **Larry Lieber**, who has been so pandemoniously penciling and inking Spidey's daily pages for lo these many years, to form the most spectacular art team on any newspaper page! It's all yours, for free, in your local newspaper! (And if your paper is one of the few that doesn't carry **The Amazing Spider-Man**, never underestimate the power of a letter to the editor!)

Now, until Spidey's next anniversary — Larry, Ron, Joe, and I urge thee most humbly — Keep Thy Webs Untangled!

Excelsior!

Stan Lee

When we think of October, we think of those scary people who put on masks, play tricks, and try to frighten everyone. That's right, we're talking about *politicians*! This is the time of year when politicians are plentiful, frightening even Red Ghosts, Scarlet Witches, and Hobgoblins! As every Marveloid knows, we're just weeks away from the funniest holiday of the year — **Election Day**!

In his very first appearance, the Amazing Spider-Man learned that with great power must come great responsibility. Well, every Marveloid out there over the age of 18 has great power, too — the power to vote! This is a responsibility many of us take for granted if at all. Think about it — we actually have the opportunity to help decide who will hold the most important position in the nation! Why not exercise some of your great responsibility that comes with the great power to vote? To register, call your municipal government office or the local chapter of the League of Woman Voters.

From the presidential race we move on to a footrace, as we track Marvel's standings in the 1992 Corporate Challenge. The Corporate Challenge is a series of 3 1/2-mile races held every June, in which companies all over New York compete to see who has the fastest workaholics. The big winner for Marvel this year was **Danny "Speedy" Gonzalez**, who finished one of the races in just 21 minutes. Other Marvel Quicksilvers were **Bernadette Ayala** of the Manufacturing Department, **Mary Sprowls** of the Finance Department, and editors **Don (PUNISHER) Daley** and **Glenn (NOMAD) Herdling**. The apres-race parties held at the Senior Exec Ed's place were also a runaway success!

The Marvel softball season is also racing to a close as we write this. We all must have had our catcher's masks on in June (not to mention our hitter's masks and our outfielder's masks),

THE BULL'S EYE

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because we had a three-game winning streak, including a victory over *Billboard* magazine — a team which we had never before beaten in Marvel history! We wore the masks of tragedy, however, as DC trick-or-treated us to a loss in our second game against their squadron of all-stars. The DC/Marvel retro-rivalry is now tied at one game apiece, with one more left to play between the two companies.

One thing is for sure — the ultra-athletic DC team sure knows how to get the most out of a bat! (Maybe it would help our chances if we all wore Adam West masks!)

Bullpen neo-cartoonist **Rick Parker** and assistant editor **Barry Dutter** have good reason to throw a masquerade party this month! Ricko the Sicko and "Big" Barry have a hyper-funny book of cartoons coming out. The book is called *Everything I Really Need to Know I Learned from Television*, and is on sale in book-

stores all across America. (By a strange coincidence, that same creative team is also responsible for the cartoon that appears each month on this very page!) It's the perfect reading material for All Hallow's Eve! It will help you laugh away all your fears!

If you *really* want to treat your neighborhood monsters, don't give them candy this Halloween — give them the all-new Marvel Masterpiece trading cards! This 100 card set features all your favorite heroes and villains, beautifully painted by Joe Jusko. Each card is a true work of art! And if your preference is for pictures that move, we'd also like to mention that the Marvel Video Cassette *Pryde of the X-Men* is now available at video retailers everywhere. Get a copy now and receive a \$5 refund on other videos in MCV's catalog. No tricks here — just plenty of treats for everyone!

Till next time, remember, though Halloween comes but once a year, Marvel heroes wear masks and colorful costumes all year long! See you at the polls!

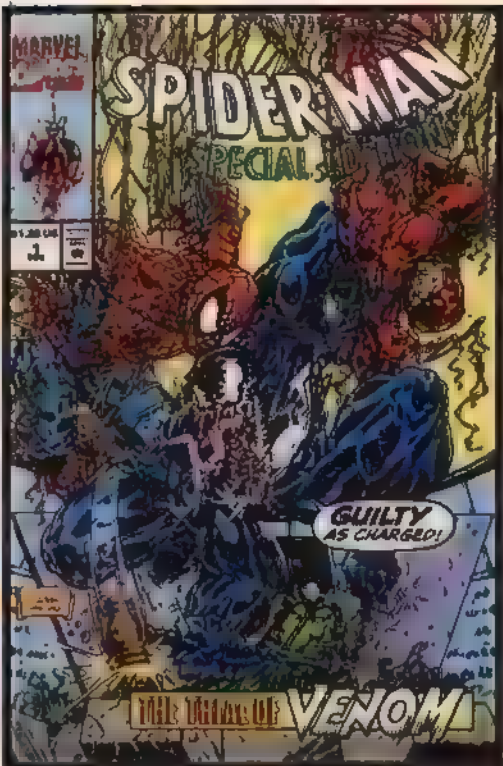
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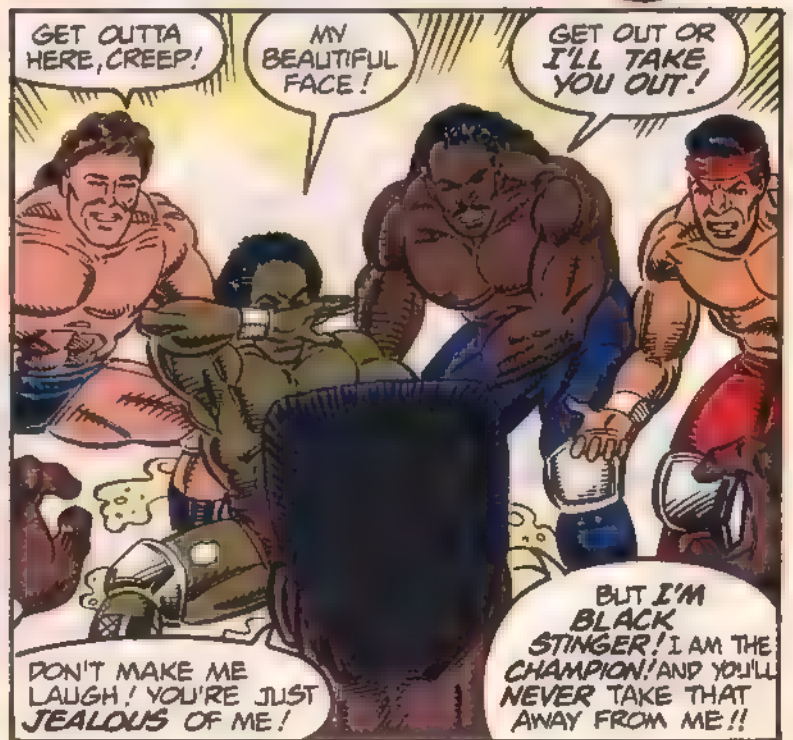
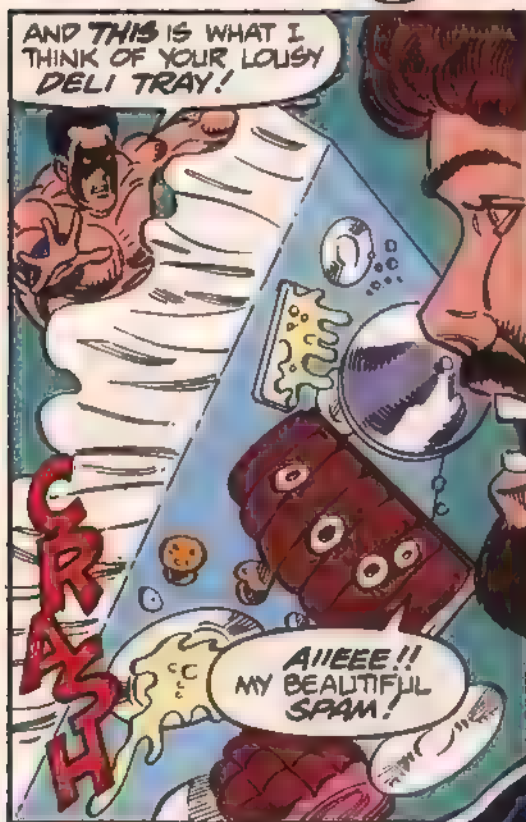
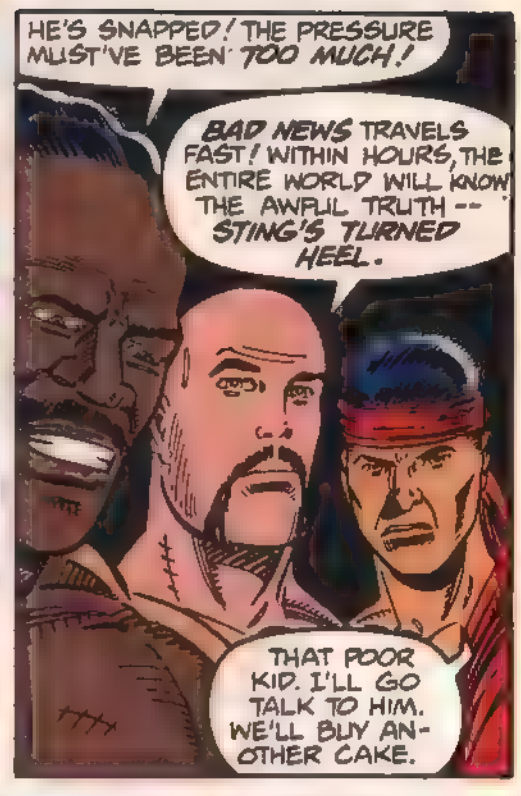
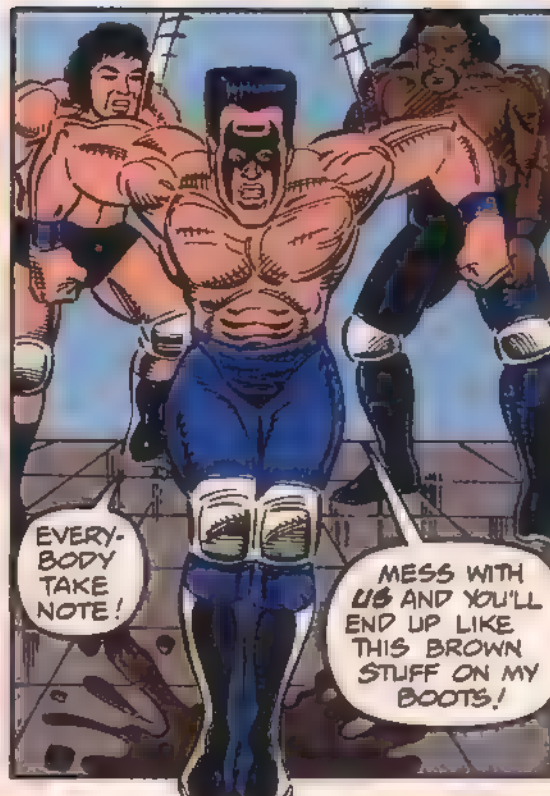
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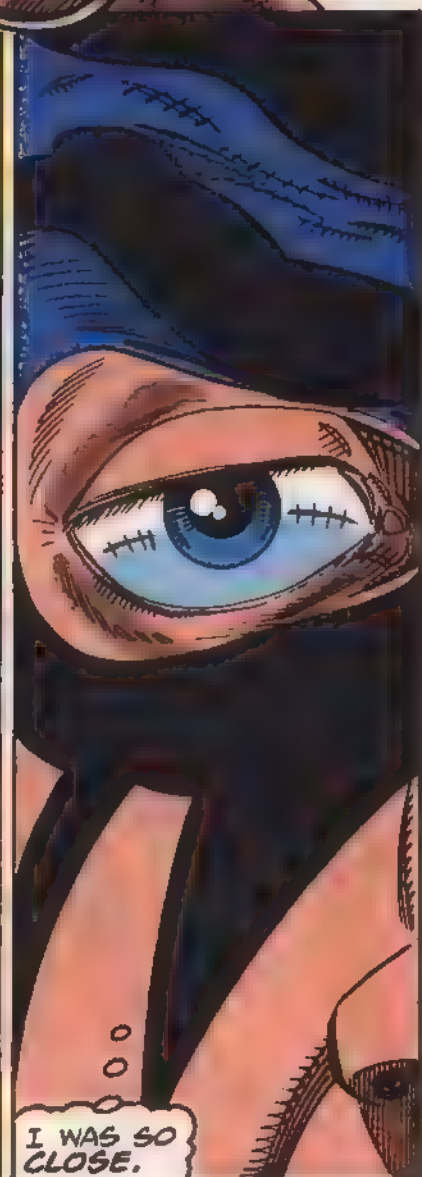
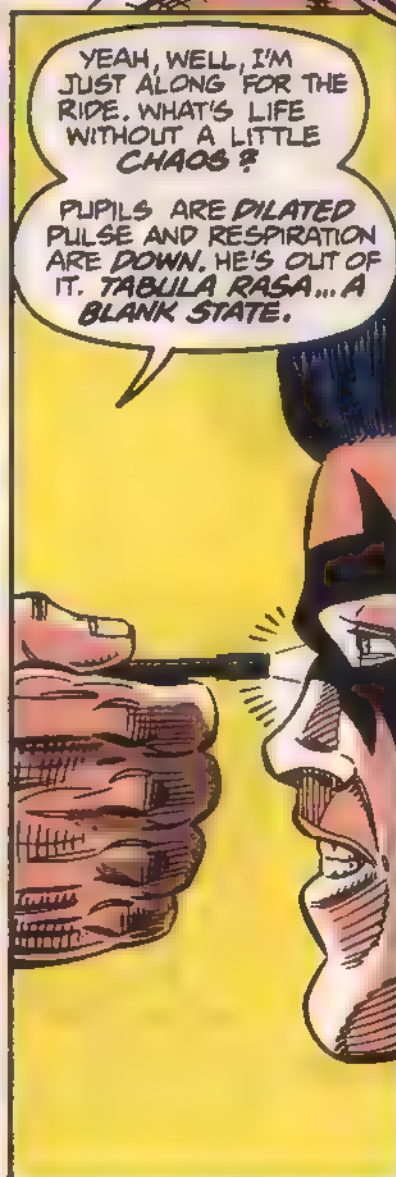
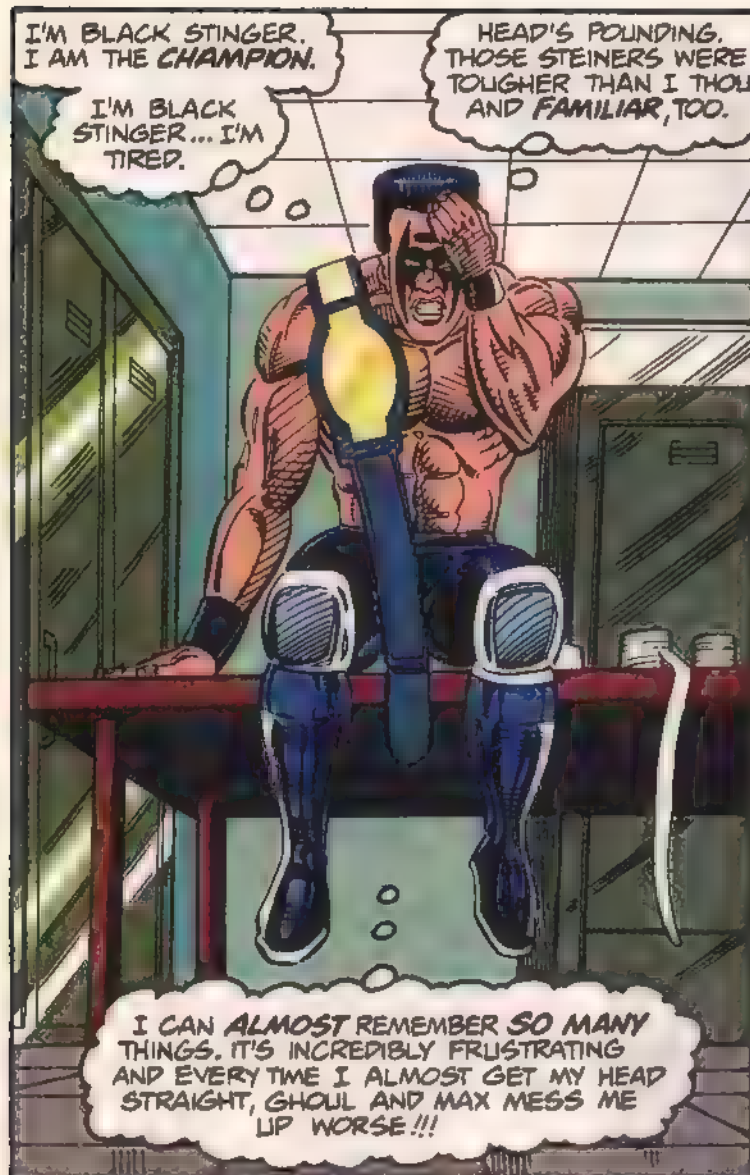
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GONNA DO
IT?

BY TAKING THEM DOWN,
ONE AT A TIME, AND STARTING
WITH THAT LOUDMOUTHED
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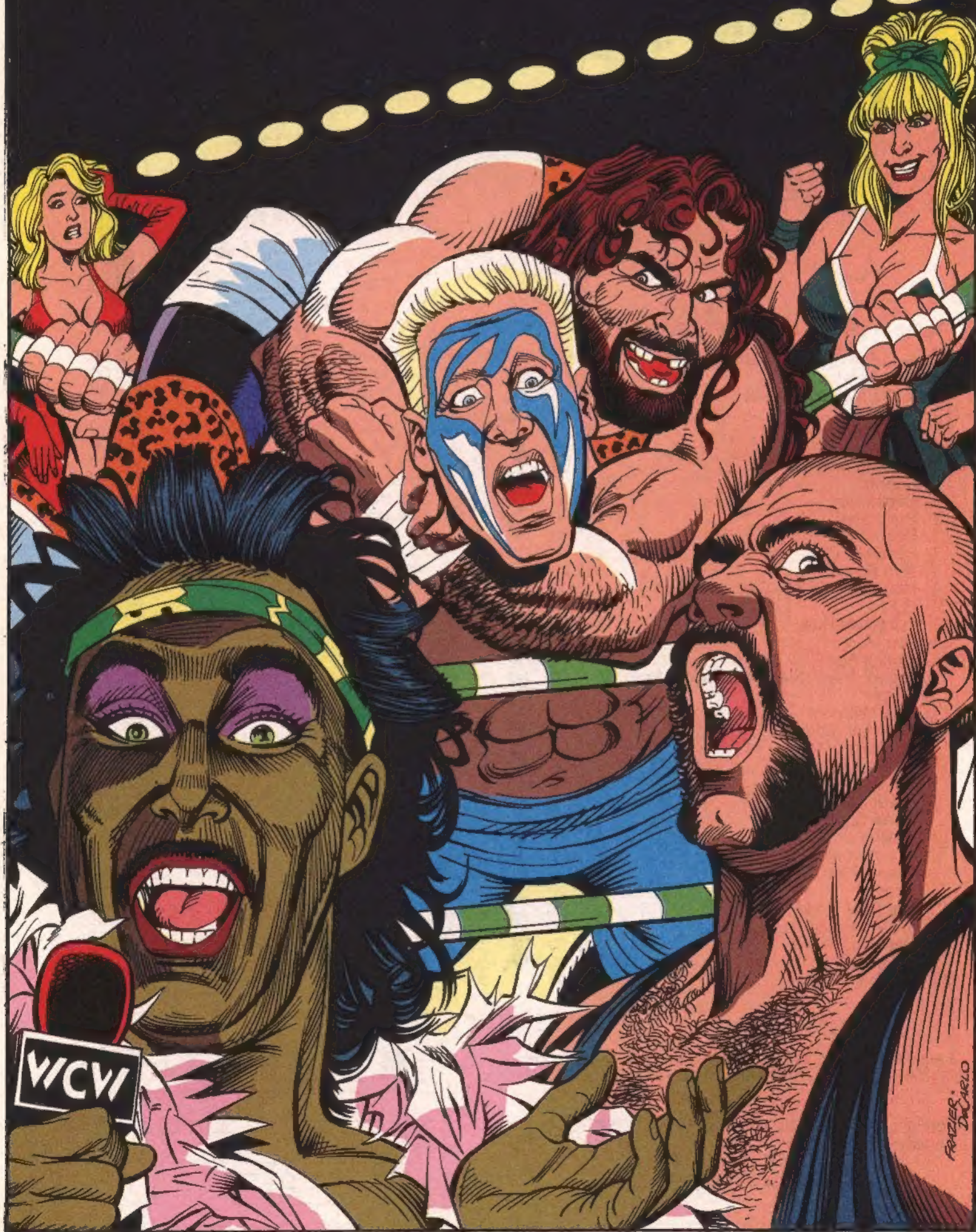
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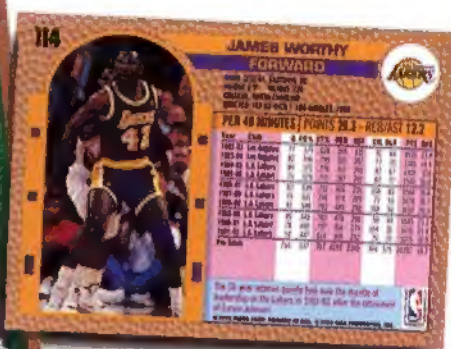
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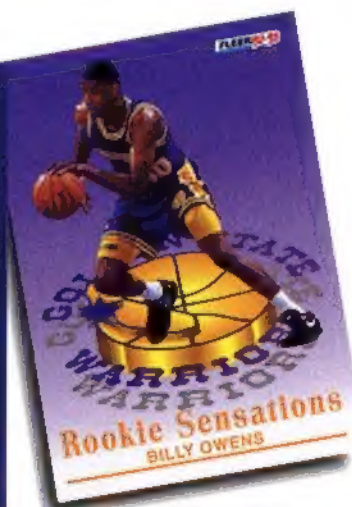
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